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**Subject:** Microsoft Settlement

Judge Kollar-Kotally,

I am Raj Bhatti, the executive director of Freedom Christian Transitional Aftercare at Jesus Is The Way Prison Ministries. I am a certified Substance Abuse Counselor by State of Illinois as well as by the World Federation of Therapeutic Communities, New York.

I came to know through a very close friend about some of the aspects of the Proposed Settlement made by the Justice Department with Microsoft, and I am very unhappy. Firstly, how could the Justice Department grant Microsoft a government-mandated monopoly of the software industry and even worse - other technology markets? Definitely such decision would seriously jeopardize all serious competitors - both now and in the future. We're living in a free and open market society, and one of the advantages of having such a system is that people have the right to choose from among several brands of one single item, and in this case, software. I would want to see a healthy competition of several software companies, in order to make prices competitive as well. Secondly, how could the Justice Department condone Microsoft for violating the antitrust law and even for its illegal conduct e.g. bribing other competitors in order to stop their operation. What is the Justice Department's motive behind this action?

Your Honor, I would want Microsoft be brought to justice upholding to democratic values. Sadly to say that monopolies are the trade mark of monarchs and communist governments.

Very Truly,

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